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# TIGHT LINES

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**Dear Bonnies,**

**Today is the deadline** to make **reservations** for **Wednesday's luncheon and program** with **Major Alberto Maza** at **Key Largo Anglers Club**, while **March 22nd** is the **deadline** to sign up for **Cast & Blast**.

Check out the **information** below for our **March 16th luncheon, the Fishin' Funatics Tournament, Keep'em Wet** and **Kayak Clean-ups** as well as the upcoming **Cast & Blast**.

We hope you **take the opportunity** to experience the joy of **using your ORC Number** to **buy Bonniewear, make reservations** for the **March 16th luncheon** and the **March 25th Cast & Blast**.

We **look forward to seeing you at lunch** on Wednesday. There will be more **exciting news** to share with you then.

Tight Lines,  
*The Bonefish Bonnies Board*

## What's Ahead?

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**March 16** *Board Meeting*

**March 16** *Membership Luncheon/Program*

**March 20** *Fishin' Funatics/Anglers' & Captains' Meeting*

**March 21** *Fishin' Funatics Tournament/Dinner*

## March 25 Cast & Blast



**April 4 Kayak Clean-Up**

**April 10 Flats Tournament/Anglers' & Captains' Meeting**

**April 11 Flats Tournament/Awards Dinner**

**April 13 Board Meeting**

**April 13 Membership Luncheon/Annual Meeting in the Butterfly Garden**



**May 2 Kayak Clean-Up**

**May 3 - 7 Fishaway - Mangrove Cay, Andros Is.**

**May 11 Board Meeting**

### Bonefish Bonnies Buddies

**New to the Bonnies this season or last?**

Contact Diana Frazier

**[dianahfrazier@gmail.com](mailto:dianahfrazier@gmail.com)**

to request a Bonefish Bonnie Buddy.



### MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON

Wednesday, March 16, 2022

Key Largo Anglers Club 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
(check-in begins at 10:45 a.m.)

Guest speaker will be **Major Alberto Maza** of the **Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission**. The **Commission's mission** is to **manage fish and wildlife resources** for their **long-term well-being** and the **benefit of people**.

Also attending will be **Ignacio Borbolla**, an ORC Member, who is a **Director on the Fish and Wildlife Foundation of Florida Board**.

**Soup, Salad & Dessert Buffet**  
**\$40 per Bonnie**

To make your reservation, simply email Kathy Weiland  
**[kathyweiland1@gmail.com](mailto:kathyweiland1@gmail.com)** (click on email address)  
with your name and Ocean Reef Membership number.

**Deadline for reservations is today.\*\*\***

**\*\*\*KLAC has put certain restrictions in place that unfortunately mean we must limit attendance to 60 members and that we will not be able to accommodate guests at this luncheon. However, the April 13th Annual Meeting Luncheon will be held out-of-doors in the Butterfly Garden where there will be no limit.**

*"The **Fun** Tournament"*  
**Fishin' Funatics**  
**March 20 & 21, 2022**

**Anglers' & Captains' Meeting**  
**39 Cinnamon Bark Lane**  
**Sunday, March 20th -- 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.**

**Tournament**  
**Monday, March 21st -- 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.**

**Awards Ceremony**  
**The Academy - 395 South Harbor Drive**  
**Monday, March 21st -- 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**



*Entry deadline was yesterday.*

**Questions? Contact Tricia Holbrook (205)413-3701 [tholbrook@me.com](mailto:tholbrook@me.com)  
 or Pam Bass (646)306-6083 [bassomatic@optonline.net](mailto:bassomatic@optonline.net)**

(click on email addresses)



## **From the Ocean Reef Press...**

Photographing your catch?

Remember to **Keep'em Wet!**

**If you catch fish** that are designated as **catch & release**, or **fish you do not intend to eat**, the **Bonefish Bonnies** join the **OR Press** in asking you **not to remove them from the water for a photo**. Get creative and **send in action pictures** or **pictures of your crew** out on the water with **a description of your fish**. If you're **fishing the flats**, you might have the opportunity to **jump in and hold your fish in the water**. But **use care in handling the fish**.

**Let your captains and mates know** that as a **Bonefish Bonnie** you **support** the **Keep Fish Wet** organization which **promotes the use of science-based best practices to catch, handle and release fish** and that **we follow** their **three principles** of **minimizing air exposure; eliminating contact with dry surfaces; and, reducing handling times**.

For more information on how to **Keep'em Wet** go to:  
**[www.keepfishwet.org](http://www.keepfishwet.org)** (click on address)



## **Kayak Clean-Ups**

Mark your calendars for the upcoming Kayak Clean-Ups. Held on the first Monday of the month they're scheduled for:

**April 4 and May 2**

**Meet at Buccaneer Island Beach at 9:15 a.m.**

You'll be **on the water from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.** As always, **Ocean Reef Club will make single and double kayaks available for your use** as well as **supplying garbage bags and handling their disposal.**

Bring along **sunscreen, a hat, gloves and a garbage picker** if you have one. And, **bring along a friend or family member even if they aren't a Bonnie.** The Bonnies are happy to give community members an opportunity to join us in giving back to the community.

**Please let Laura Zausmer [laurazausmer@gmail.com](mailto:laurazausmer@gmail.com) know if you plan to participate in the Clean-Up and if you'd like to stay for lunch at the Beach Bar.**



# Cast & Blast

Friday, March 25, 2022

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Card Sound Sporting Clays

(6.7 miles past Alabama Jacks on the right, look for balloons)



If you're a Bonnie who's always wanted to learn the secrets of fly casting or how to safely handle and fire a shot gun, now is your chance.

Come out and enjoy a day of friendship and camaraderie with the Bonefish Bonnies!!!



## A few things to know....

**\$85/person includes range and gun rental as well as ammunition, instruction, lunch and beverages.**

Email your name and ORC Account number to our Treasurer, Laura Wilson, [cflba@icloud.com](mailto:cflba@icloud.com)

Or send your check to Bonefish Bonnies, 24 Dockside Lane PMB Box 1 Key Largo, FL 33037.

**Your payment is your reservation. – DEADLINE for sign-ups and cancellations is March 22!!! LIMITED to 25 Bonnies. (There will be a wait list should there be cancellations before March 22.)**

Questions? Email [toni.vreeland@gmail.com](mailto:toni.vreeland@gmail.com)

*Fly rods, ear plugs, shot guns and shells will be provided. Wear closed-toe shoes and loose-fitting clothing and bring sunglasses. Bring your own shotgun or fly rod if you'd like. Whether you are a beginner or an avid shooter all are welcome!!! Everyone will receive gun safety and shooting instructions from professionals. Mona Brewer will be available for fly casting lessons.*

**It will be an exciting day that will definitely be a BLAST!!!!**



## **Bonfish Bonnies Membership Roster 2021-2022**

**The Bonnie contact information for those members listed below  
can be found by choosing the *Members* tab on our website at  
[www.bonfishbonnies.com](http://www.bonfishbonnies.com).**

Many thanks to those new and renewing members who have already  
sent in their dues along with their signed membership form.

Do not panic if you don't see your name in this issue.  
Member names are added each week as the mail arrives  
and checks are processed...

**A warm welcome to our new Bonnie:  
Anna Bradshaw**

### **In Memoriam**

It is with great sadness  
that we inform you of the recent passing  
of long time Bonnie member,  
Jane Ferger.  
Our condolences to her family and friends.

**Visit our website at [www.BonfishBonnies.com](http://www.BonfishBonnies.com)**